



Support for our Troops

I strongly support our military and the many San Diegans who are risking their lives for our Nation's freedom.

I unconditionally support and appreciate the brave men and women who are serving in the United States Military, and wish them a safe return out of harm's way and back home to their loved ones.

Furthermore, I believe our Nation needs to stand behind our President in his efforts to fight terrorism and keep the citizens of our Nation safe. My prayers are with our troops abroad and the President of the United States.

Please visit the [Department of Defense webpage](#) and sign in thanking the men and women of the U.S. military services for defending our freedom.

College Area Farmers Market Debuts Tomorrow, April 1st

A new and exciting Farmers Market is coming to the College Area! Beginning April 1st and running every Tuesday from 4-8 pm, the College Area Farmer's Market will feature live music, children's activities and something for just about everyone. Best of all, the Market will have farm fresh fruits, vegetables and dozens of locally produced delicacies. Fresh bread, olives, pastries and smoked fish are just a sample of what you'll be able to find at the Market. The College Area Farmer's Market will be located in the College Center parking lot at El Cajon Blvd. between Art and 63rd streets. The certified market is being organized and hosted by the College Area Economic Development Corporation.

Interested vendors and those with questions can call the College EDC office at (619) 582-1093. The College Area Farmer's Market is sure to become one of the cities finest so come on out on Tuesdays beginning April 1. No fooling!

Mayor Murphy Decides Not to Run

I'm surprised, disappointed and sorry to hear that the Mayor is not going to run for a second term. He has created an atmosphere of inclusion and discussion and focused on 10 concrete goals to shape this city's future. As a former Councilmember for our area and now Mayor, we in the 7th City Council District have certainly benefitted from his wonderful friendship.

He is a very capable leader and San Diego has benefitted tremendously with Mayor Murphy at the helm. I believe San Diego would have continued to benefit from his leadership through 2008.

Life at City Hall takes some interesting twists and turns and this is certainly one of them. Sometimes the unexpected happens.

Dick Murphy is a man of surprises. Many didn't think he would win the Mayoral Race in 2000 and

fewer still thought he would limit it to one term.

Many have recently asked me if I would run for Mayor and I replied by saying "maybe in the future, but now is not the time, as there is still much work to be done before our many projects are completed in District 7."

If you are interested in reading an excellent article from the Union Tribune's website about the Mayor's decision to not run again, click [here](#). The Union Tribune also published an editorial I agreed with completely - it can be viewed by clicking [here](#).

Lastly, if you are like me and you'd wish he'd still reconsider not running, call his office at 619-236-6330 or send him an email at DickMurphy@SanDiego.gov and let him know how you feel.
